

**Abstract**

Card-holding device in a card-processing apparatus

Card-processing apparatus (10), comprising a card tray (16), a card-transporting device (13, 14, 15), a device (52) for sensing the position or detention of a card (18a) in the card tray (16) and a holding device (28, 30, 32, 38) for a card (18a) that has stopped in an irregular manner in the card tray (16) due to manipulation of the card-processing apparatus (10), which is activated if a change in the position of the card (18a) is not detected even though a conveying signal has been issued to the card-conveying device (13, 14, 15).

(Figure 3)